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FOR HUMMEL FROM AMBASSADOR

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SUBJ: ROC IBMND ACTIVITIES IN THAILAND/BURMA

REF: STATE 7830

1. YOUR RESERVATIONS ABOUT THE PROPOSAL TO BRIEF THE ROC ON GTA NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING ACTIVITIES ARE ENTIRELY VALID. THE QUESTION AT ISSUE IS NOT ONE TO BE DECIDED ON THE BASIS OF SUCH DATA ALONE. WITH ITS LONG EXPERIENCE AND ABUNDANCE OF CONTACTS IN THE GTA, THE ROC KNOWS AT LEAST AS MUCH AS WE DO ABOUT ACTIVITIES THERE. IN ANY CASE, AS YOU OBSERVE, THERE ARE POLICY CONSIDERATIONS.

2. POLICY REASONS FOR OPPOSING ROC INVOLVEMENT IN THE AREA SEEM TO US TO INCLUDE, IN ADDITION TO THE RISK THAT THE GRC MIGHT BE TARRED WITH THE NARCOTICS BRUSH, THE POTENTIAL DAMAGE TO OUR WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE GUB, AS WELL AS THE EXACERBATION OF GUB-RTG DIFFERENCES WHICH COULD RESULT. GUB-RTG COOPERATION IS ONE OF THE MORE IMPORTANT REQUIREMENTS FOR ENHANCING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF OUR NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAM.

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3. I ALSO AGREE WITH YOU THAT THE RECENT DEMARCHE, WHICH SEEMED TO US ADMIRABLY FORTHRIGHT, LEAVES US IN A GOOD POSITION TO WAIT AND SEE BEFORE MOVING FURTHER ON THIS MATTER.

4. DEPARTMENT MAY IF IT WISHES PASS TAIPEI, BANGKOK, MANILA.

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